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BETWEEN SENDERS AND RECEIVERS ACROSS LINKS BEING USED  
AS CHANNELS

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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered, prior to  
examination of the above-referenced divisional patent application.

In the Specification:

At page 1, replace the second paragraph, lines 12-15, with the following paragraph:

“SYSTEM OF CONTROLLING THE FLOW OF INFORMATION BETWEEN  
SENDERS AND RECEIVERS ACROSS LINKS BEING USED AS CHANNELS,” by  
Gregg et al., Serial No. 09/150,942 (Docket No. PO9-98-124); and

At page 1, replace the third paragraph, lines 16-19, with the following paragraph:

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